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Follow-up to Edmonds PD Stolen Vehicle Recovery

Around 9:00 am on April 9, 2015, a homeowner in Mountlake Terrace found a male sleeping in a shed. He matched the description of the male that had fled from Edmonds PD overnight. He commented that he was running from the police and the homeowner called 911. He then fled on foot.

Officers from Mountlake Terrace, Lynnwood, Brier, the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office and Edmonds went to the area to find him. A short distance away, the suspect broke into an occupied residence and stole the homeowner's car. He then ran from police in that vehicle. He was later spotted on foot in Mountlake Terrace near Lake Ballinger. Another search for the suspect was launched in that area. A short time later, a witness called 911 to report that a male was running in front of the Ranch 99 Market along Highway 99, in Edmonds.

The suspect ended up entering an occupied house in the 7200 block of 224 ST SW. Four people were home, two of which were children. They made it out safely. The suspect refused to come out when police arrived.

The SWAT team and negotiators were called in to the location. At one point, the suspect attempted to start a fire inside the residence. The Fire Department was able to put the fire out.

Around 2:25 pm, the suspect came out of the house and was taken into custody. His identity is not being released at this time. He was booked into the Snohomish County Jail. No one was injured during the standoff.

Detectives are still investigating.

The family that lives in the residence is being put up in a hotel, courtesy of the American Red Cross.

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